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Newly submitted claims are directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed for the following reasons:


- I. Previously submitted claims 1-26, drawn to a shelf, classified in class 211, subclass 134.
- II. Newly presented claims 27-32 drawn to a barbecue grill assembly, classified in class 126, subclass 41R.

Inventions II and I are related as combination and subcombination. Inventions in this relationship are distinct if it can be shown that (1) the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed for patentability, and (2) that the subcombination has utility by itself or in other combinations (MPEP § 806.05(c)). In the instant case, the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed because the combination does not require a quick release member or a spring member. The subcombination has separate utility such as a shelf in a kitchen cabinet.

Since applicant has received an action on the merits for the originally presented invention, this invention has been constructively elected by original presentation for prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, claims 27-32 have been withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. See 37 CFR 1.142(b) and MPEP § 821.03.

The amendment filed on July 21, 2005 canceling all claims drawn to the constructively elected invention and presenting only claims drawn to a non-elected invention is non-responsive (MPEP § 821.03).

Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.


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